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BEACH ADVISORY

The Department of Planning and Natural Resources (DPNR) announces that the Beach Water Quality Monitoring Program, which evaluates weekly water quality at popular swimming beaches throughout the Territory, advises the public of the following:

DPNR performed water quality analysis at the 36 designated beaches throughout the Territory during the week of December 22-26, 2014. The following beaches **meet water quality standards and are safe for swimming or fishing**:

St. Croix

Stony Ground Cramer Park Princess (Condo Row)

DorschRainbowHalfpennyProtestant CayShoy'sGrapetree BayChenay BayNew Fort (Ft. LouiseGentle Winds

Buccaneer Augusta)

Davis Bay Frederiksted Public Beach
Cane Bay Pelican Cove (Comorant)

St. Thomas

Sapphire Lindberg Bay Bolongo Bay Bluebeards Hull Bay Limetree

Coki Point Brewer's Bay
Frenchman's Bay
Linquist

St. John

Cruz Bay Oppenhiemer Great Cruz Bay Hart Bay

However, the following beaches **DO NOT MEET THE WATER QUALITY STANDARDS FOR SWIMMING OR FISHING:**

St. John

Johnson's Bay

St. Thomas

Magen's Bay Water Bay Vessup Bay Secret Harbor

DPNR wishes everyone a Merry Christmas and will continue to monitor the impacted areas and waters. For additional information regarding water quality call the Division of Environmental Protection at 773-1082 in St. Croix. D